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Ian Mays
Clerk of the House Regulatory Reform Committee
Anderson Office Building
124 N. Capital
Lansing, MI 48233

RE: Support of House Bill No. 5463 and HB 5464
Dear Mr. Mays:

The Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP) is in strong support of House Bill No. 5463 which would restrict the sale of containers that contain solely nitrous oxide, commonly known as "whip-its". Many cities within Michigan have reported abuse of "whip-its" that have resulted in impaired driving, injuries, and at least one death. We believe restricting the sale of these items to those over 18 will lessen the likelihood of abuse by minors.

The MACP also supports passage of House Bill No. 5464, which allow the Attorney General or county prosecutor the ability to bring action to recover a civil fine for violations.

If I can provide any further information regarding this important issue, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Robert Stevenson
Executive Director

Cc: Representative Stephanie Chang